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I would like to register my considerable disapproval of the recent changes introduced by bupa. I undertaken private orthopaedic practice for [%] years and feel the recent changes are unjustified, restrict patients choice and are attempting to influence the management of orthopaedic problems in the best interest of cost cutting rather than the patients best interest. I perform many shoulder procedures and ideally will repair the tendon if possible certainly in younger patients and this is now been questioned and restricted. Private patients tend to present much earlier than many nhs patients when fixation is more likely to be possible and successful in many cases due to waiting times and delay in presentation with the majority of nhs patients unfortunately.